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ASSISTANT CLERK: 28 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Debate does cease. Senator Landis, you're recognized to close on your motion to bracket LB 825.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. Why don't we have a call of the house at this point. I'll talk for a couple of minutes till we're fully assembled. That way we'll be able to move things along as quickly as possible. I'd ask for a call of the house.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion is to place the house under call. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The house is under call. All unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. Unexcused senators report to the Chamber. The house is under call. Senator Landis, and your time is running as you know.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you very much, Senator Cudaback. Members of the Legislature, you know cool heads off the floor of the Legislature probably ought to be able to come up with a nonlegislative solution to this problem if we thought about this long enough. It's a shame that this happens. We always wind up here in this crucible for what should open itself up to some relatively common sense solutions. And I'd like... I hope they come about. Regardless of what happens on LB 825 on General File, I'd like to see that happen. I will say this. This is an agenda that's been here for ten years, and it's not going to go away. This is simply a chapter in that longer agenda. Senator Foley, I think if you listened to his language carefully enough, has just said I can't get to where I want, all the way that I want to get to, but I guess I've got a small enough piece that doesn't trip a big A bill. Now I think he said that's a fight for another day I think he said. And it's in recognition of this fight for the other day that says to me, you know, the principle is still here. Who gets to write the insurance